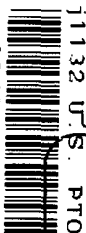


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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
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2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
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1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Small Entity

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101 710 201 355 Utility filing fee

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105 130 205 65

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Non-English specification

147 2,520 147 2,520

For filing a request for *ex parte* reexamination

112 920* 112 920*

Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action

113 1,840* 113 1,840*

Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action

115 110 215 55

Extension for reply within first month

116 390 216 195

Extension for reply within second month

117 890 217 445

Extension for reply within third month

118 1,390 218 695

Extension for reply within fourth month

128 1,890 228 945

Extension for reply within fifth month

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Notice of Appeal

120 310 220 155

Filing a brief in support of an appeal

121 270 221 135

Request for oral hearing

138 1,510 138 1,510

Petition to institute a public use proceeding

140 110 240 55

Petition to revive - unavoidable

141 1,240 241 620

Petition to revive - unintentional

142 1,240 242 620

Utility issue fee (or reissue)

143 440 243 220

Design issue fee

144 600 244 300

Plant issue fee

122 130 122 130

Petitions to the Commissioner

123 50 123 50

Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)

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